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RESPONSE

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 10, 2004, please reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

Telephone Interview Summary

A telephone interview with Examiner Fontaine was conducted on 10 November 2004. During the interview, Step d) in the claimed process was discussed as to what occurred in thermoforming a composite profile on-line to form *along the length of the article*: 1) a curve; 2) a twist; or 3) a varied cross-sectional shape. The Examiner's interpretation of the Beck reference was discussed and better understood. The Examiner's assistance is appreciated. There was no agreement with regard to allowable claims.